

3-D Visualization With OpenDx

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Visualization Goals

- Develop a 3-D visualization capability that will help the Space Weather Community understand the complexities of the space environment.
- Make this visualization software user-friendly, inexpensive and easily portable.
- OpenDX is free, open-source software with many features that are useful for viewing model output.



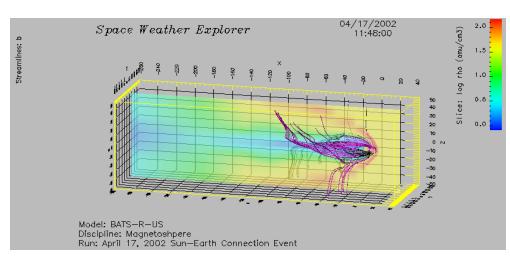
Current Capabilities

- Models: BATS_R_US now, others when standard data format interface is complete
- Plots: 2-D slices w optional contour lines, isosurfaces, volumes, streamlines, vectors for the entire simulation box or subdomains

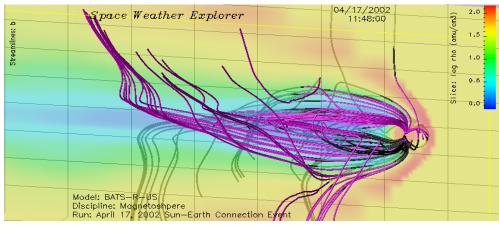


Magnetospheric model: BATS_R_US Run: April 17, 2002 11:48:00

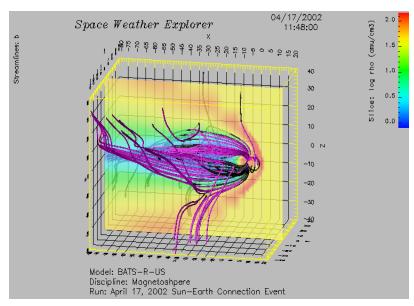
2-D slice (x-z plane)
Density
Magnetic field lines

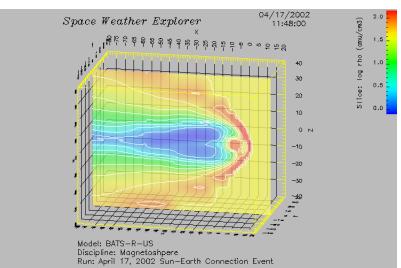


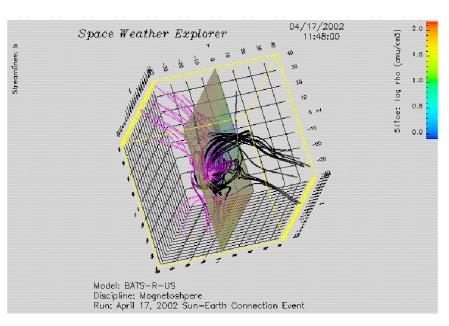
Same 2-D slice
Zoomed

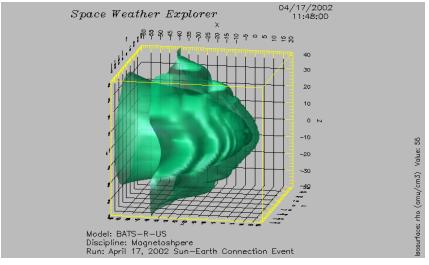






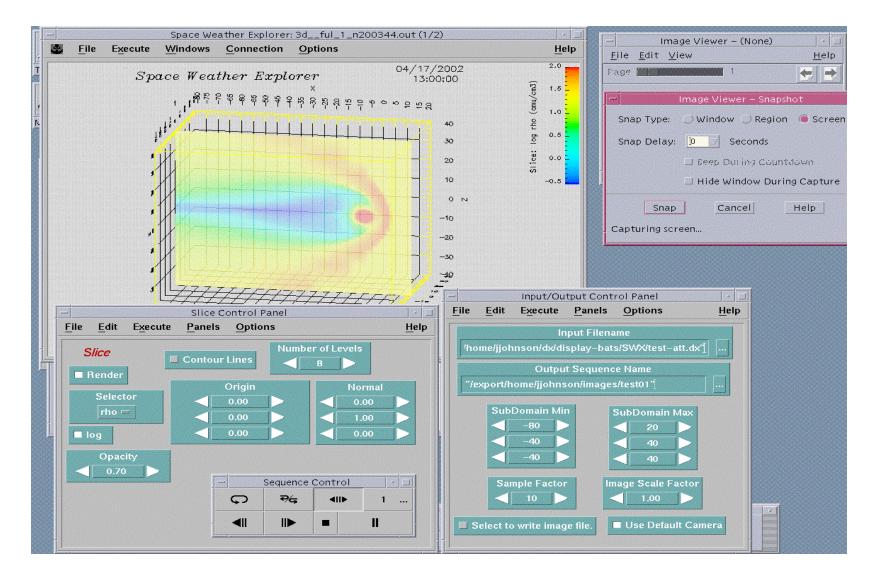






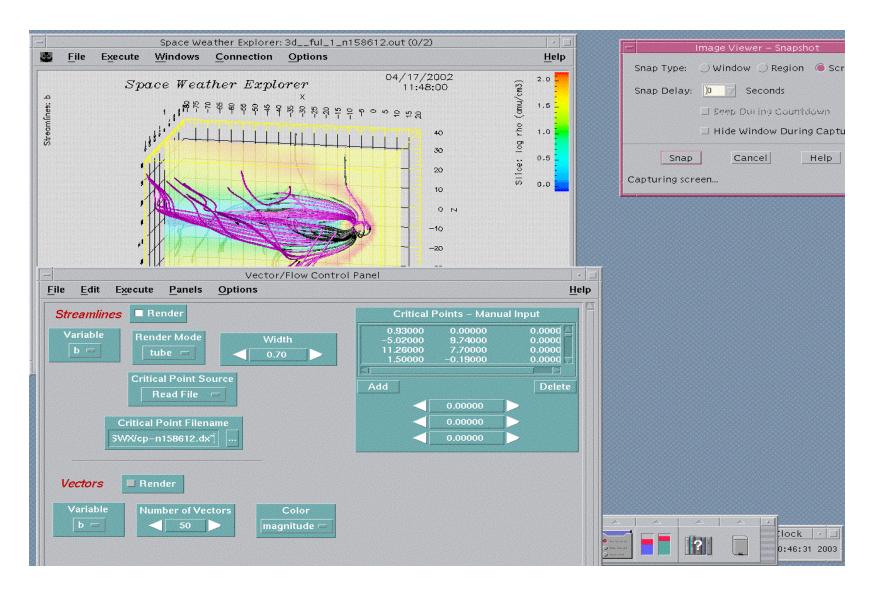


Screen View of Input/Output and Slice Control Panels





Screen View of Vector/Flow Control Panel





Future Plans

- Adapt the software for use with other models
- Implement a web interface for access to 3-D visualizations
- Make software available to scientists and Rapid Prototyping Centers
- Respond to requests from the Space Weather Community for additional features